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AFTERNOON DAILY

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Scotland Neck, N. C.

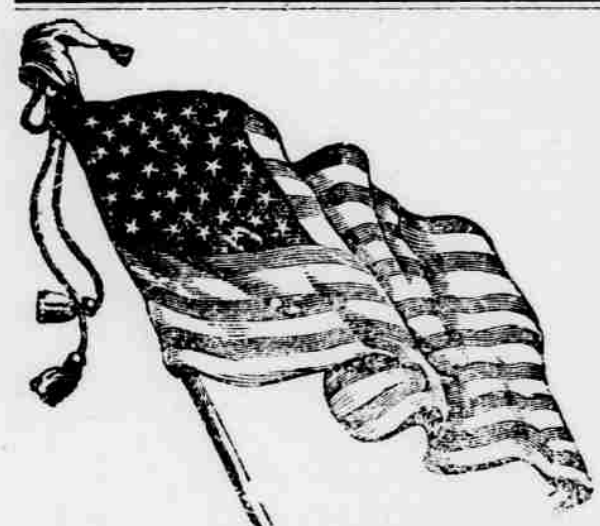
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WHAT PEOPLE DON'T KNOW

That large cash salaries are paid to families of soldiers by Uncle Sam every month.

That married men can volunteer in the American regular army, and few people know that Uncle Sam will take care of their families while they are away.

That if the soldier allots fifteen dollars of his thirty dollars monthly pay to his wife the government gives her another fifteen dollars a month.

If a wife has one child she gets \$40; if two she gets \$47.50; if three \$52.50; if four \$57.50; if five \$62.50, and if six children gets \$65.00 per month.

Besides this the husband—the soldier—Gets \$15.00 per month, which is all he ought to spend as he gets his board, clothes, doctor's bill, heat and light free.

The above is Uncle Sam's method of looking after her soldiers, which no other country has done.

DAWSON'S WANTS LARGER SCHOOL

The Commonwealth is very glad to notice the movement by the people of Dawson's Cross Roads for a larger and better school for that neighborhood, and the call for a meeting on Wednesday of next week for the purpose of discussing the ways and means of accomplishing their desire, at which time, it is said, Professor Akers, of Roanoke Rapids, and Rev. G. H. Johnson will be present to help the people formulate a practical plan.

This is very good news for it is a step in the right direction. All school extension is worthy and beneficial, for it is the forerunner of better local conditions and better citizenship.

In another column appears a notice of the meeting, and the people from White's Cross Roads to Whitakers chapel and from Crowell's to Mullins will welcome any Scotland Neck people being present at the meeting and aid with advice and suggestion the proposal that is being made for more extended and better school facilities for this suburb.

WELLS MAY BE CONTAMINATED

Has it occurred to the people of this town that the cutting of roots of the trees to put in sewer age and city water works to the various houses in all parts of town is certain to make the well

water undrinkable?

It is however a fact, and one thoroughly demonstrated wherever a sewerage and water system has been installed, and it is very easy to understand.

In digging into the streets in order to connect with either sewer or water mains the roots of the trees are sure to be cut, and these will rot in the ground and contaminate all surface and well water, until it is unfit for drinking purposes.

The contamination from elm roots is, of course, the worst, but this idea also applies to any tree roots.

This feature has probably not been given any attention by most of the people, but they will be faced with it very soon, if they have not already had their well water affected. It is said that many of the wells in town are even now unfit for drinking purposes, and there is probably reason for this assertion. One thing is very certain, all wells will be affected very soon and it would be well for all landlords and owners of house property to consider seriously the question of attaching the water mains while the weather is suitable.

BANK STATEMENT

Report of the condition of
THE SCOTLAND NECK BANK
Scotland Neck, N. C.

In the State of North Carolina at the close of business, March 4th, 1918.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$276,363.53
Overdrafts	2,255.58
United States Bonds and Liberty Bonds	93,050.00
All other Stocks, Bonds, and Mortgages	9,000.00
Banking Houses, fur. fix.	15,082.92
Due from National Banks	72,846.20
Due from State Banks and Bankers	4,533.51
Gold Coin	22.50
Silver Coin, including all minor coin currency	502.70
National Bank Notes and other U. S. Notes	3,834.90
Revenue Stamps	63.00
Total	\$477,553.94

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$25,000.00
Surplus Fund	22,500.00
Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	3,109.23
Unearned discount	2,000.00
Notes and Bills rediscounted	31,250.00
Bills payable	20,000.00
Deposits subject to check	357,558.41
Time Certificates of Deposit	13,755.22
Cashier's Checks outstanding	1,312.58
Certified Checks	68.50
Accrued Interest due depositors	1,000.00
Total	\$477,553.94

State of North Carolina—County of Halifax.

I, J. Harper Alexander, Jr., Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. HARPER ALEXANDER, Cashier

Correct—Attest:

G. Hoffman
T. B. Wheeler
F. P. Shields
Hugh Johnson, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19 day of March 1918.

C. S. Alexander, Notary Public.

Mr. LaFayette Draper is at home for a few days furlough with his parents before leaving for the camp, from there he expects to go to France very soon.

SAVE YOUR EYES

YOU cannot buy another pair of eyes, but you can buy glasses that will preserve the pair you have.

If your eyes are giving you trouble, if you are bothered with headaches, or find that you cannot read as readily as you used to, it's time you paid us a visit.

More eye troubles can be relieved with proper glasses if attended to in time. It costs nothing to consult us and it is decidedly to your advantage to do so.

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With E. T. Whitehead Co.
Scotland Neck, N. C.

CLASSIFIED ADS

MULE FOR SALE—One bay mare mule nine years old. Apply to Moses Higgs, Hobgood, N. C., R. 1.

FOR SALE—150 Barrels of Corn. Apply John B. Gray, Scotland Neck, N. C. 3-5 tf.

FOR SALE—Buick "4" Roadster, 1917 model, good as new and fully equipped. Apply J. H. Durham 3-7tf

FOR SALE—Two grade Percheron Colts, twenty months old, will weigh 900 lbs each. Apply J. H. Durham, Scotland Neck, N. C.

ROOMERS AND BOARDERS—Want at the Bell Hotel on Depot street The house has just been opened under new ownership. Apply at once to H. A. Paramore, Bell Hotel. 12-21-tf.

DR. D. F. KEEL
From 7 to 9 P. M. by Appointment
Scotland Neck, N. C.
Office (Upstairs in the Whitehead Bldg)
Office Hours: 9 to 1 & 2 to 5 O'clock
(Successor to Dr. A. C. Livermon)

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Ladies every year anxiously watch for coming of the spring styles. This year more than ever before following a severe winter, so the bright attractive garments and materials will be the more welcome.

Our First Showing Is Here

We invite you to see the new array of newest things in ladies spring garments, made up in tailored fashion, of the light airy weaves and in color combinations that will please the most exacting.

SHOES

Our line of ladies slippers, low quarters and pumps are awaiting your inspection.

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The bright and light materials for the 1918 season are prettier than ever. They are bound to please.



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We Allow 4 Per Cent Compounded Quarterly on Savings Accounts.

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THE HOME FOR SAVINGS

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Spring Cleaning Time

When you get ready to clean up your house from top to bottom look over your furniture. You will find that some pieces are shabby and worn out. A new rug would improve some of the rooms. In fact, just a few dollars would make your home more attractive for the Summer. Don't You Think so?

Let us talk it over with you

Scotland Neck Furniture Co.
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